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[Despatch Abstract.]

Establishment – Civil supplies – S. Kanara
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COPY OF REFERENCE FROM THE BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES), REFERENCE No.F.II-145605/51/CS, DATED THE 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1951.

SUB: ESTABLISHMENT - Civil Supplies - South Kanara district - Procurement under levy system - Posts of Firka Supply Officers - Revival - Proposals - Submitted.

READ: G.O.Ms.No.712, F & A D/10-4-51.
From the Collector of South Kanara, Ref.C.No. W9-201488/51 dated 23-7-51, 21-8-51 and 6-9-51.

Copies of the letter cited received from the Collector of South Kanara are submitted to the Government.

2, In the Government Order cited sanction was accorded among other staff, to the employment of 8 Assistant Taluk Supply Officers and 8 Peons in the place of 28 Firka Supply Officers and 28 Peons in the South Kanara district. Out of the 8 Assistant Taluk Supply Officers and 8 peons, the Collector has already retrenched 6 posts of ASSistant Taluk Supply Officers and 6 peons, and this fact has already been reported to the Government. At present there are two Assistant Taluk Supply Officers and two peons only.

3. In the South Kanara district, procurement is being done under levy system and there is rural rationing in Hosdrug Sub-Taluk. In his letters cited, the Collector of South Kanara has reported that the I crop comes up for harvest towards the end of September in Hosdrug Sub-Taluk and in the month of October in the other parts of the district, that the physical features of the South Kanara district are peculiar and that the Assistant Taluk Supply Officers are not sufficient to cope with the procurement work. He has, therefore, asked for the revival of the posts of 28 Firka Supply Officers and 28 peons. The Collector has also reported that the two existing Assistant Taluk Supply Officers and their peons will be disbanded as soon as the Firka Supply Officers are appointed.

4. The Board has already recommended to the Government the abolition of procurement (Levy system) and rationing with effect from 15-10-51 in the South Kanara district. Even if the proposals are approved, there will remain the Madras Foodgrains Control Order, Price Control Order and Requisitioning Order, etc. Besides the above items of work, Fair Price shops will have to be opened wherever necessary. To attend to these items of work, full compliment of staff is necessary. The Collector has stressed the need for the employment of Firka Supply Officers instead of a smaller number of Assistant Taluk Supply Officers and the Board considers that in view of the geographical position of the district it will not be physically possible for a smaller number of Assistant Taluk Supply Officers to do procurement work effectively.

5. In this connection, the Board invites the attention of the Government to its Reference D.O.No.136372-U.II/51-1, dated 24-8-51 in reply to the Government D.O.NO.54837-A/51-1, Food and Agriculture, dated 7-8-51 in which the Board has submitted its remarks to the Government on the policy to be adopted in regard to procurement and rationing during the year 1952. If the Government approve of the Board's proposals regarding the policy for 1952, the position will be entirely different. Pending this, the Board requests the Government to sanction the employment of 28 Firka Supply Officers on Rs.45-90 per mensem each and 28 peons on Rs.18-25 per mensem each from the date of

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employment till 31-3-52, or till the need ceases, whichever is earlier for procurement work in the South Kanara district. The Collector, South Kanara will be asked to disband the two existing Assistant Taluk Supply Officers from the date the Firka Supply Officers are employed.

6. The expenditure may be debited to "63- Extraordinary Charges-. a. Charges in India - B.Establishment for Price Control - 1.Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies)".

7. In view of the urgency of the matter the Board is permitting the Collector to appoint the 28 Firka Supply Officers and 28 peons in anticipation of sanction. The Board requests that its action may be ratified.

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COPY OF LETTER REFERENCE FROM THE BOARD OF REVENUE, (CIVIL SUPPLIES), NO. FII.145605/51, MADRAS, DATED 8TH NOVEMBER 1951.

SUB: ESTABLISHMENT - Civil Supplies - South Kanara district - Procurement under levy system - Posts of Firka Supply Officers - Revival - Report - Submitted.

READ: 1.Board's Ref.FII.145605/51, CS, dated 12-9-1951.
2.Government Memo No.64302-E/51-1, Food and Agriculture, dated 24-10-1951.

In their Memorandum cited, the Government have asked the Board to clarify the views expressed in paras (4) and (5) of its reference cited. The Board submits as follows:-

2. In para (4) of its reference cited, the Board stated that even if procurement and rationing were abolished in South Kanara district, full compliment of staff will be necessary to attend to the remaining items of work. By "full compliment" the Board meant that one Assistant Taluk Supply Officer would be necessary for each taluk in South Kanara as in the case of other deficit districts. Normally the Board would have asked the Collector to carry on with an Assistant Taluk Supply Officer for a taluk if the food policy had been revised. But since this question was pending consideration of the Government and the Collector had to carry on procurement work under the existing policy in the mean time, he wanted revival of the posts of the Firka Supply Officers surrendering the post of the Firka Supply Officer for the reasons already explained. That was why the Board stated in para 5 of its reference that the position would be different if the policy was revised.

3. The Government of Madras have since recommended to the Government of India that the Status-quo will be continued in the South Kanara district regarding the procurement policy for the year 1952. According to this recommendation, the levy system of procurement, rural rationing in Hosdrug sub-taluk and statutory rationing in Municipal towns in the South Kanara district will be continued during the year, 1952. As the Collector of South Kanara has expressed the need for the employment of Firka Supply Officers and as the Board has already permitted him to employ the Firka Supply Officers in anticipation of sanction, the Board requests the Government to approve of its proposals for the employment of 28 Firka Supply Officers and 28 peons till 31-3-1952 for procurement work in the South Kanara district.

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ABSTRACT

ESTABLISHMENT - Civil Supplies - South Kanara +District - Procurement under the levy system posts of Firka Supply Officers - and peons - Revival - Board's proposals - approved.

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No. 54. dated 12--1--1952.

READ AGAIN:

G.O.Ms. 712 F&A d ated 10--4--1951.

READ:

From the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Ref. No.FII.145605/51 (cs) dated 12--9--1951.
From the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Ref.No. FII.145605/51 (cs) dated 8--11--1951.

ORDER:

In the circumstances reported by the Board of Revenue (civil supplies), His Excellency the Governor of Madras sanctions the employment from the date of appointment till 31-3-1952 or till the necessity for their employment ceases, whichever is earlier, of twenty eight Firka Supply Officers on Rs.45-90 p.m. each and twenty eight peons on Rs.18-25 p.m. each for work ~~revival~~ relating to the procurement of foodgrains in the South Kanara district. The posts of 2 Assistant Taluk Supply Officers on Rs.110/- p.m. each and two peons on Rs.18-25 p.m. each already employed in the district with reference to G.O.Ms.712 F & A, dated 10-4-51 should be abolished simultaneously with the appointment of the Firka Supply Officers and their peons.

2. The action of the Board of Revenue (civil supplies) in having permitted the Collector of South Kanara to employ the staff in anticipation of sanction is approved.

3. The expenditure should be debited to "63. Extra-ordinary charges - a.charges in India - B. Establishment for Price control - 1. Board of Revenue(civil Supplies)"

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To the Board of Revenue (civil supplies).
" " " (Accounts Branch).
" " Accountant General (through Finance).
" " Collector of South Kanara.

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